

Expressing the continued support of Congress for requiring an institution of higher education to provide military recruiters with access to the institution's campus and students at least equal in quality and scope to that which is provided to any other employer in order to be eligible for the receipt of certain Federal funds: H. Con. Res. 354, to express the continued support of Congress for requiring an institution of higher education to provide military recruiters with access to the institution's campus and students at least equal in quality and scope to that which is provided to any other employer in order to be eligible for the receipt of certain Federal funds, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 347 yeas to 65 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 39;

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Waiving the passport fees for a relative of a deceased member of the Armed Forces proceeding abroad to visit the grave of such member or to attend a funeral or memorial service for such member: S. 1184, to waive the passport fees for a relative of a deceased member of the Armed Forces proceeding abroad to visit the grave of such member or to attend a funeral or memorial service for such member—clearing the measure for the President;

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Permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust: H. Con. Res. 350, to permit the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust; and

Pages H890–92

Extending through December 31, 2006, the authority of the Secretary of the Army to accept and expend funds contributed by non-Federal public entities to expedite the processing of permits: H.R. 4826, to extend through December 31, 2006, the authority of the Secretary of the Army to accept and expend funds contributed by non-Federal public entities to expedite the processing of permits.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:02 p.m. and reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further consideration of the measures will resume tomorrow, March 15th:

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation should fully protect the freedoms of all religious communities without distinction, whether registered and unregistered, as stipulated by the Russian Constitution and international standards: H. Con. Res. 190, to express

the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation should fully protect the freedoms of all religious communities without distinction, whether registered and unregistered, as stipulated by the Russian Constitution and international standards; and

Pages H888–90

Amending the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws: H.R. 4944, to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty, to make other technical amendments to the trade laws.

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Recess: The House recessed at 6:18 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H878.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H974–75.

Quorum Calls—Votes: 1 ye-a-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings today and appears on pages H940–41. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Held a hearing on the House of Representatives, Office of Compliance and the Architect of the Capitol, Testimony was heard from James M. Eagen III, Chief Administrative Officer; Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House; Wilson J. Livingood, Sergeant at Arms; James J. Cornell, Inspector General; Geraldine Gennet, Office of the General Counsel; Peter G. LeFevre, Office of the Law Revision Counsel; M. Pope Barrow, Jr., Office of the Legislative Counsel; and John Eisold, M.D., Office of the Attending Physician; the following officials of the Office of Compliance: Robert Holzwath; and Barbara Camens, both members of the Board of Directors; William W. Thompson II, Executive Director; and Peter A. Eveleth, General Counsel; and Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol.

DEPARTMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION, TREASURY, AND HUD, THE JUDICIARY, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and

Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Alphonso R. Jackson, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE, AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Central Command. Testimony was heard from GEN John P. Abizaid, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command, Department of Defense.

SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations held a hearing on the Attorney General. Testimony was heard from Alberto Gonzales, the Attorney General, Department of Justice.

RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY; DOD QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported adversely H. Res. 685, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in their possession relating to any entity with which the United States has contracted for public relations purposes concerning Iraq.

The Committee also held a hearing on the Department of Defense Quadrennial Defense Review. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gordon England, Deputy Secretary; and ADM Edmund P. Giambastiani, USN, Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; and public witnesses.

REVIEW RUDMAN REPORT ON FANNIE MAE

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Review of the Rudman Report on Fannie Mae." Testimony was heard from former Senator Warren B. Rudman of New Hampshire.

HANDLING CLASSIFIED AND SENSITIVE INFORMATION

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "Drowning in a Sea of Faux Secrets: Policies on Handling of Classified and Sensitive Information." Testimony

was heard from Davi M. D'Agostino, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, GAO; the following officials of the National Archives and Records Administration: Allen Weinstein, Archivist of the United States; and J. William Leonard, Director, Information Security Oversight Office; Robert Rogalski, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Counterintelligence and Security, Department of Defense; and Glenn S. Podonsky, Director, Office of Security and Safety Performance Assurance, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack approved for full Committee action the following measures: Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection; Annual Report to Congress on the Directorate of Science and Technology; and Project Bioshield Material Threats Act of 2006.

WORKPLACE GOODS JOB GROWTH AND COMPETITIVENESS ACT OF 2005

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 3509, Workplace Goods Job Growth and Competitiveness Act of 2005. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FY 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 4939, Making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that when the reading for amendment reaches Title II, such title shall be considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lewis of California and Representatives Kirk, Burton of Indiana, Thornberry, Bradley of New Hampshire, Wilson of New Mexico, Pickering, Sabo, Millender-McDonald, Tierney, and Melancon.